

Open Library to School Groups In Observance of Library Week

In connection with National Library Week from April 12 to 18 this year, the Farmington Public Library is opening its doors during the entire month to visit by various classes in schools throughout the community.

This event is sponsored by the National Book Committee in cooperation with the American Library Association. It is devoted to the importance of reading in American life to the importance of libraries of all kinds—public, school and university libraries, and the libraries maintained by individuals in their own homes.

The objective of the week is to remind the American people that reading can help them satisfy their need for a greater sense of purpose and meaning in their lives; to urge them to use more fully the libraries of all kinds in which the treasures of the printed word await throughout the land. But there is a wider aim: to set apart a time when people can re-define themselves to the ideas and ideals of a free society. Since this is a society based on the choices made by the many rather than the few, its greatest concern must be the development of every individual to his highest capacity. Its vitality, its very existence, depend upon the extent to which all the people have formed the habit of finding out intelligently weighty alternatives of reading to the continuing activities of the countless organizations and individuals that share its objectives. It can be a catalyst working with all these forces for the support of libraries and the spread of reading. Libraries work with and through all aspects of American life: strengthening them at home, school, college, and community will help Americans to read and be ready for whatever the future may bring.

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"Good food is so plentiful in American households that most of us are thick of it."



Please accept my thanks for your vote of confidence at the polls. It is an honor and a challenge to represent you. I shall continue to support what is best for Farmington.

Sincerely,
V. O. Bates



THE CELL BLOCK in the City of Farmington Dept. of Public Safety. Building recently fascinated fifth grade students from the Ten Mile School on their tour of the building last Friday. Standing in the background answering the many questions the youngsters had to ask is Sgt. Richard Walker.

4 to Attend State FHA Convention

Wednesday, April 15, the Clarenceville Public Home-makers held a meeting to highlight with announcement of the six girls chosen to attend the state meeting at Grand Rapids.

Selected were: Nettie Wilson, Diane Squair, Sandy Cole, Margaret Coleman, Pat Simons and Marie Roberts. Alternates are Karch Glaffelter and Mailee Baur.

These girls were chosen on the basis of points earned during the year for various projects.

At the convention, the girls will learn more about F.H.A. and how to help their chapter progress.

Also discussed were money raising projects and the Mother-Daughter Tea on May 6.

Dill Conroy, 4-3511.

Fifth Graders at Ten Mile School Visit Public Safety Department

Friday was a big day for Maynard Harris' fifth grade class at the Ten Mile elementary school.

As a culmination to a study unit on safety, the entire class of 20 visited the Farmington City Police and fire station to see how public safety is handled and carried out in the city.

On hand to take the class on the tour and answer questions were Sgt. Richard Walker and Officers John Butters and Alton Watson of the Public Safety Department as well as Municipal Judge John J. Schulte, Jr.

AFTER BEING divided into three groups, the entire class was fingerprinted, shown completely around the police station and even taken to visit the courtroom.

First stop for the class was at the communication room where teletype messages are transmitted and received with other police departments and where messages are transmitted and received from patrol cars.

Students were then shown the city map specifying the location of all fire plugs, giving an explanation of the fire alarm system and shown the cell block where prisoners are held.

NEXT CAME an inspection of the personal weapons and the identification room. It was here that the class showed and discussed with the police officers the safety posters they had made in the classroom during their safety class. A vote by the entire class indicated that the 15 large safety posters should be donated to the public safety department for use in their visits to other schools in the community.

This was followed by a close inspection of the police cars and their contents and the sirens, horns and their equipment. Explanations of the use of this various equipment were also given.

An actual fire demonstration was carried out by the officers to show the effort, time and dangers there are in fighting and controlling fires. How to use a fire hose and other special fire fighting equipment was also shown and demonstrated to the class.

FINAL STOP was at the courtroom above the station. With Judge Schulte presiding and an officer in charge, the class listened and asked many questions concerning courtroom procedures that the class had learned in school. A short visit to the jury room was also made.

The class completed their two hour visit with a much better and broader understanding and outlook on how policemen and firemen do their jobs, and how they effectively carry out public safety duties in the City of Farmington," Instructor Harris concluded.

Honor Pupils At Sr. High

Honor students at Clarenceville High and their average grades for the fourth marking period were announced this week by the administration:

GRADE 11—A) Sharon Hefelt; A and B, Julie Campbell; Randy Cauffman, Sandra Crotchet, John Ferguson, Robert Gaudin, Joy Hildaak, Bonnie Karr, Robert Lee, Frank Meade, Kendall Robertson, Connie Rogers, Mary Nell, Patricia Sullivan, Gerald Vickowianich, B average, Louise Allen, Charles Boggs, Anthony Bush, Philip Chovanec, Virginia Colvin, Mary Crouch, Sarah McKiddie, Kathleen Milarech, Ruth Rapelle.

GRADE 11—A, Joanne Hanaford, Stuart Rubens; A and B, Karen Chappall, Sandra Claus, Judy Connell, Barbara Donnell, David Frederick, Anita Laupha, James Phillips, David Pillar, Jesse Ping, Gary Stern, Diane Squair, Sandra Van Zant, B average, Roger Allen, James Balcom, Constance C. Cassel, Sandra Buckner, Earl Cook, Darlene Humlin, Virginia Johns, Margaret Murphy, Gene Scheles, Clifton Simons, Wilson Tarkney, Billy Taurinoff, Michael Udman, Nettie Wilson.

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One of City's Oldest Landmarks Demolished

Passing with only a brief mention a couple of weeks ago was the demolition of the old house and barn at the southeast corner of Grand River and Liberty street. The property is owned by the National Bank of Detroit and they now have a parking lot there.

Actually the house has quite a history, local Detroit manager and longtime Farmington resident Harley Webster related.

"It is impossible that the modern asbestos siding on the house concealed the story that the hand hewn timbers could tell of the history and people of another era," Walters said.

"It was considered an old house when I delivered newspapers to Judson and Mary Webster there forty years ago. They were wonderful people, the kind that it was a privilege to know and a pleasure to remember," said Webster.

"His house, built by his father Gardurous in the year 1842. "This was the only house in Farmington on what is now Grand River Avenue, the main street at that time and business section was Shiawassee Road. Gardurous was born in Erie County, New York, in 1813 and after migrating here, built the house and a harness shop just east of it. The logs were taken from the surrounding forest and were dovetailed together and fastened with wood pins. The bark was shaved off on one side to provide a smooth surface.

"Gardurous Webster was married in 1846 to a Farmington girl Lucinda Green. She had been brought here from New York State at two years of age and lived on a farm one and a half miles southwest of the village. She was the oldest of nine children and took much care of the younger children. The sound of her weaves howling was a strange sound to her ears and I mean not those we refer to as wolves today.

"There were six children born to them: Marie Louisa, which died at fourteen months, William, Robert, George, Frank and Marie. Marie Louisa, who died at fourteen months, was the first child to be born here.

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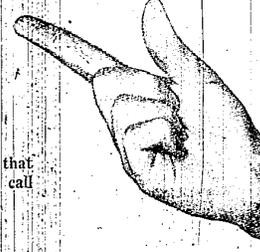
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All Invited to Benefit Dinner, Party, Dance

Plans are now being completed for the Lapeer Parents Association's 10th anniversary dinner, card party and buffet dinner to be held on Saturday, April 18, at the Fort Wayne Hotel Ballroom, Cass and Temple in Detroit.

Proceeds will be used to help in furnishing recreational, educational and training equipment for the 4,200 patients at the Lapeer State Home and Training School. Actively supporting this project and the association in this area are Mrs. Ronald Goldman, 31942 Wayburn, GR 4-8634, and her neighbors on the same street, Mrs. G. Chaper and Mrs. Doris McDonald.

The Lapeer Parents Association, composed of friends and relatives of patients in the "home" and in existence for the past ten years, has been making every effort to bring happiness to all the children including the many "forgotten children" there, a spokesman said.

The buffet dinner (smorgasbord) will be served from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The dance and card party will run from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. All are invited. Tickets or additional information may be obtained from any of the three Farmington women mentioned earlier.

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Rhoda Renard, Manager